

## JUDGE ZICK TO CONDUCT GRAND JURY PROBE



JUDGE KARL F. ZICK  
Grand Juror

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Berrien Circuit Judge Karl F. Zick Wednesday was named the one-man grand juror to begin a three-month investigation into organized gambling in Berrien county.

In an order filed in Berrien circuit court Wednesday, Judge Zick granted a petition by Berrien Prosecutor Ronald Taylor for appointment of a grand juror and named himself as grand juror. The investigation will start at 9:30 a.m. May 19.

Judge Zick, 60, presides over Berrien circuit court's two other judges and is dean of active county jurists with 11 years on the bench and eight years as county prosecutor or assistant.

The scope of his grand jury investigation is limited to gam-

bling, gaming houses and devices, other violations of gambling laws, bribery or attempted bribery of public officers, bribe-taking and obstructions of justice.

Taylor said the grand jury is aimed at organized gambling activities and not possible corruption among officials.

At a press conference at 4 p.m. Wednesday Taylor said he was pleased with Judge Zick's appointment. He termed the grand jury a "new tool" in crime-fighting in Berrien county. The grand jury is expected to run 90 days and hopefully will result in information leading to criminal prosecutions, Prosecutor Taylor said.

Grand jury proceedings and testimony of witnesses are secret. Violators of this secrecy

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are subject to felony charges punishable by up to four years behind bars, Taylor said. He declined to name the number of witnesses scheduled to be called except that it is "substantial."

Testimony of scheduled witnesses is expected to lead to even more witnesses, he said. Breaks will occur during the 90-day life of the grand jury to allow investigations based on information developed in testimony, Taylor said.

Judge Zick's Wednesday order also names those who will assist him. They include Prosecutor Taylor and his staff, Berrien Sheriff Forrest (Nick) Jewell and his deputies, and court reporter Robert F. Palach of rural Eau Claire. Berrien County Clerk Forrest H. Kesterke will subpoena witnesses for

Judge Zick on request of Prosecutor Taylor. Berrien county will pay all costs of the grand jury.

Taylor emphasized the secrecy of the investigation, noted the courtroom would be barred to press and public, and said witnesses will be "sequestered to some extent" apparently to preserve their anonymity.

The opening May 19 session of the grand jury will be held in the courthouse but other sessions could meet elsewhere, Taylor said.

Witnesses can choose to take the Fifth amendment when questioned, but if granted immunity from prosecution they must answer or face jail terms up to six months for contempt of court. The secrecy order extends not only to court offi-

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cers, court officials and staff but also witnesses and their attorneys.

Prosecutor Taylor's petition for a grand jury says certain unnamed persons are otherwise unwilling to divulge information they have on various gambling offenses.

He filed his petition March 18 after two twin cities men, Frank Bovo and Andrew Andrews, were arrested Jan. 30 on charges of conspiring to bribe a policeman. The conspiracy charge against Andrews, dismissed March 18, will be reinstated when the grand jury investigation ends, Taylor said Wednesday.

The conspiracy charge against Bovo was dropped but he faces circuit court trial on a related bribery charge.



PROSECUTOR R. TAYLOR  
Triggers Probe

## SPRING HOLIDAY? WE ARE 'SNOWED'

### Air Traffic Is Knotted By Strike

Bailey Seeks  
To Question  
Volpe, Shaffer

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's air traffic controllers, ordered to stop the strike that has caused extensive flight delays and cancellations, plan to call top administration officials into court to be cross-examined on the controllers' complaints.

The day and evening shifts today held the key to whether the restraining order, issued Wednesday against the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization — PATCO — was successful.

In seeking the court order, the Justice Department said operation of some 900 aircraft at airports in 15 major cities had been halted by the strike. One fourth of the 1,500 controllers normally guiding airplanes in flight on each day and night shift called in sick Wednesday.

Heavy Easter traffic and weather problems building in the Midwest were expected to add to travelers' woes. Some flights Wednesday were delayed as much as seven hours, with one or two hour delays the norm.

Attorney F. Lee Bailey, executive director of PATCO, said subpoenas would be issued today for Transportation Secretary John A. Volpe and FAA Ad-



STORM VICTIM: Scores of trees and limbs were felled in southwestern Michigan by wind and snow. This uprooted tree is on Broadway, Benton Harbor, across from First Congregational church. (Staff photo)

ministrator John H. Shaffer. "I've been dying for a long time to get them into position to be cross-examined and maybe get the truth on the table," Bai-

ley said. "In seeking the restraining order they submitted to the jurisdiction of the court."

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### Area Is Blanketed By Blizzard

Worst Storm  
In Nine Years  
Closes Schools

The worst spring blizzard in nine years walloped southwestern Michigan today — closing schools and roads.

From 6 to 12 inches of heavy, wet snow buried Berrien, Cass, Van Buren and Allegan counties. Another 1-3 inches was forecast before the snow eased into scattered drizzles late today and Friday. Power lines and trees were felled under weight of snow.

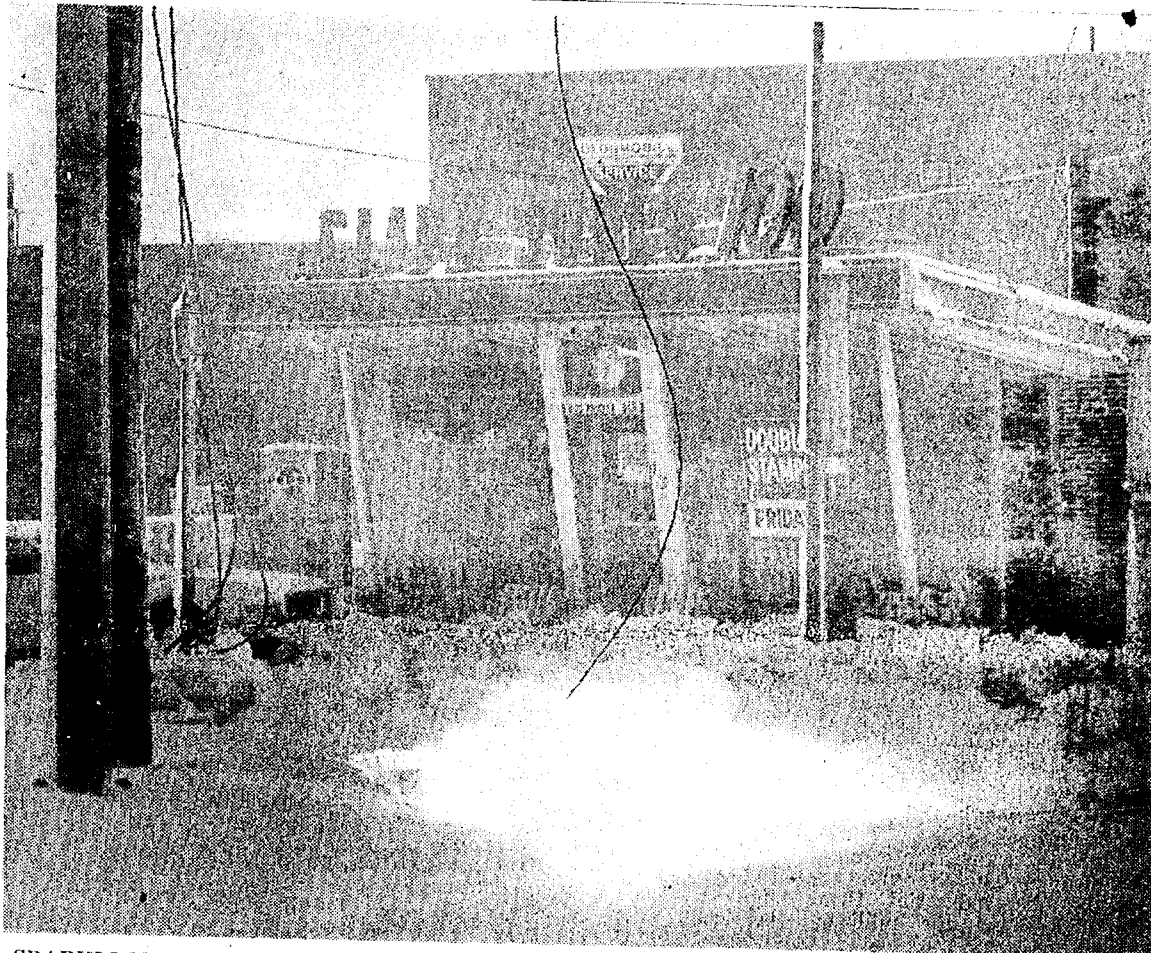
The blanket came on the heels of a rain Wednesday night which pelted the area for about an hour before the storm.

All schools but the Andrews university schools in Berrien Springs were closed and most county roads clogged shut early this morning. Businesses and industries reported a rise in absenteeism.

The storm was reminiscent of 1961 when thousands of motorists were stranded the weekend of April 17 by a fluke blizzard. No cases of hardship were reported today, although the weather may interfere with plans for southern trips during spring vacation for schools which starts tomorrow.

Law enforcement agencies urged persons to drive only when necessary and then with extreme caution. State trunklines were open but driving was

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SPARKLING BLIZZARD: Fireworks were added to spring blizzard this morning as power line fell at Clark station, West Main street, Benton Har-

bor, forming an electrical arc that melted snow. (Staff photo by Wes Stafford)

## Major Banks Cut Rates

### Price Index Rise Smallest In 7 Months

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon's economic policies have been given a boost on two fronts just as Congress' Economic Committee called for emphasis on avoiding a recession.

Irving Trust Co. of New York announced Wednesday a reduction of the prime lending rate from 8 1/2 to 8 per cent—the first

big bank to do so. It was followed promptly by Bank of America, the nation's giant, and some—but not all—other major banks.

The banking action came as the Labor Department reported the wholesale price index showed its smallest rise in seven months—an increase of one-

tenth of one per cent.

The preliminary Labor report for March indicated consumer finished goods, along with wholesale food prices showed a decline. These are items most quickly reflected in retail prices and cost of living.

The stock market took off on the news. The Dow Jones industrial average shot up 23.30 points, then leveled off with a 16.37 gain for the day.

The Wednesday action took a bit of the edge off criticism by Democrats on the Senate-Economic Committee of President Nixon's inflation-fighting policies.

But Rep. Wright Patman, D-Tex., chairman both of that committee and the House Banking Committee, called the interest reduction too little and too late.

## Two Students Given Grants

### Whirlpool Scholarships Are Worth \$4,000

Alan S. Chisek, 18, a senior at Eau Claire High school, and Ronald A. Klug, 17, a senior at Benton Harbor High school, have been named 1970 St. Joseph Division winners of \$4,000 Whirlpool Foundation scholarships.

B. L. (Bud) Driver, general manager of St. Joseph Division, presented the grants to the two students yesterday.

Alan is son of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Chisek of Eau Claire. The elder Chisek is superintendent of automobiles. Ronald is son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Klug of Sodis. Klug is utility man in department 58, plant No. 1, St. Joseph Division.

The scholarships provide \$1,000 a year for four years at any accredited four-year college or university. To be eligible, a student's parent must have worked for Whirlpool at least one year.

At Eau Claire, Alan lettered in football, basketball and track. He has served as student council president, senior class vice president and Varsity Club president. He also is an Eagle Scout. He plans to study engineering, either at Michigan Tech or Notre Dame.

At Benton Harbor high school, Ron has been National Honor Society president, Science Club president, a member of Ma Alpha Theta and a Junior ROTarian. He will study engineer-

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## Reunion Called Off By Death

DETROIT (AP)—A suburban Inkster couple and their daughter-in-law were in their seats, waiting for the Hawaii-bound airliner to take off, when they were told there would be no reunion with their soldier son—he had been killed in Vietnam.

"Come home, Jim's dead," the caller said while crying.

Mr. and Mrs. Early Davis, parents of Army Spec. James L. Davis, 23, had just boarded an Hawaii-bound airliner in San Francisco Friday when they got the word. The son's wife, Lena, 20, also was aboard the plane.

"We had fastened our seat belts and were about to take off when we were told that there was an emergency telephone call for us," said Davis, a Ford

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SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Klug (left) and their son, Ronald, and Mr. and Mrs. Stan Chisek and their son Alan were hon-

ored yesterday when sons received \$4,000 Whirlpool scholarship. B. L. (Bud) Driver made the presentation. (Staff photo)



THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
Best Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

Bendix Moves Ahead  
With Smoke Control

A month ago, an irritated housewife south of St. Joseph called this newspaper office to complain about heavy smoke coming from the Bendix foundries on Lakeshore drive.

The city desk sympathized but declined the suggestion that Bendix management should be 'castigated editorially. For this newspaper was well aware the firm was heavily engaged at that very moment in smoke control plans.

Yesterday, the Bendix Automotive and Automation company announced it has already begun work on \$1.1 million worth of anti-pollution projects, all to be completed this year.

Air pollution control systems are to be in operation this August, said Richard H. Long, general manager of the firm's Hydraulics Division which operates the foundries. The systems will cost \$850,000.

The foundries have already installed a refuse compacter so rubbish is no longer burned on the plant grounds but, instead, is removed for burial in a sanitary landfill. Final phase of Bendix' anti-pollution program will be construction of additional sewage disposal facilities. That work is slated to be completed by year's end.

The Bendix program of smoke control is a sound one, employing expensive methods that are the most efficient yet known. Construction timetable represents a crash schedule. The big manufacturing firm has obviously gone all out to live up to its community obligations.

"Why not before this?" some may ask.

Actually, the anti-pollution effort nationwide has achieved top priority only recently. Bendix' response to what has become a rather suddenly recognized need seems quick, indeed, viewed from this perspective.

It is only within the past year or two that enough states have pushed anti-pollution law enforcement to remove the competitive disadvantage formerly faced by the industrial firm which did spend the millions

necessary to abate pollution. And in the particular field of smoke control, it is only now that efficient equipment is becoming available.

In the years it has operated plants here, Bendix officials have demonstrated not only good, but outstanding, civic leadership. Two former hydraulics division managers, Neil O. Peoples and Robert Hingate, were leaders in a wide variety of community endeavors. Richard Long, the new manager—here only since last fall, already has plunged into civic affairs as at trustee of Area Resources Improvement Council.

By and large, most other manufacturers in the Twin Cities area, try hard to be good housekeepers and good neighbors. The same cannot always be said, unfortunately, of the general public.

Environmental pollution is a people problem, as well as an industrial problem. While we demand that industry do something about polluting air and water, we should go a step farther and crack down on the individual polluters that number in the tens of millions.

The National Academy of Sciences in cooperation with the highway departments of 29 states has just completed a study. It shows a lot of people aren't nearly as concerned about pollution as they profess to be.

Each month, American motorists drop an average of 1,304 pieces of trash on every mile of the nation's vast network of primary highways — nearly 16,000 pieces per mile each year. Paper items accounted for 59 per cent of total roadside litter. The rest was tabulated at 16 per cent cans, 6 per cent plastic items, 6 per cent bottles and jars, and 13 per cent miscellaneous.

The large miscellaneous group included tires, lumber and a variety of unclassified items ranging from hair curlers, underwear and false teeth to ice chests and washing machines.

This is the work of a public that is calling for instant solutions to all of our environmental problems.

Self Policing  
Among Businessmen

Running in tandem with environmental control as a popular crutch among the politicians is consumer protection.

One attraction is that unlike most government programs, its cost is low, thus affording the opportunity to advertise throughout the constituency that for once the public is getting something for nothing.

The second magnetic attraction is the public's growing restiveness about repair service which, charitably speaking, is lousy, complicated warranties drafted by Philadelphia lawyers, and articles which come unhinged once they are unpackaged.

Individually a number of manufacturers are coming to grips with the problem.

Whirlpool is a leader in this respect and the major automobile companies at least are publicly admitting that the factory-dealer relationship needs bolstering. The conflict has simmered for several years over which one should assume the full financial responsibility for work performed on new car defects.

Though the customer could care less, this internal feuding reacts against him. The complaint's noise level is such today that this stumbling block will have to be resolved within the industry or the state and federal legislatures will impose their own sanctions.

Throughout the larger cities the Better Business Bureau has been active since 1909 in a search and destroy mission against shoddy practice. It started in New York City as a volunteer movement to clean up the wild claims that was common to advertising in those days and from that platform launched into a sort of privately funded FBI.

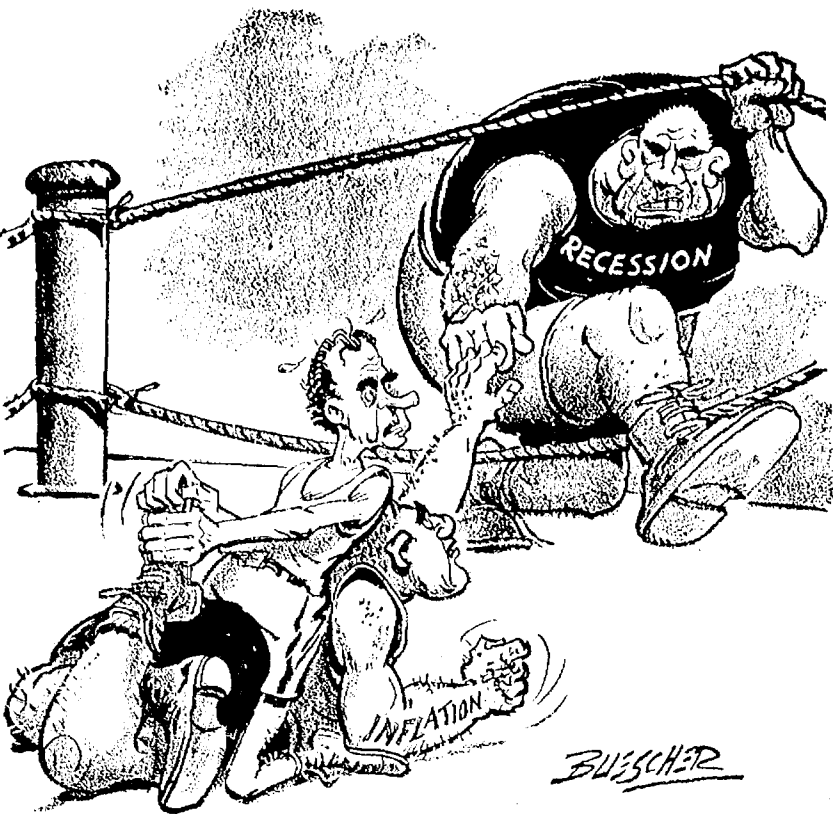
The BBBs averages up well. The New York City Bureau probably shows the best record, mainly because its investigators will act on telephone tips and other informal relays. The Detroit Bureau is less effective because it insists upon a written statement fully identifying the complainant before it will move.

John F. Kennedy, while President, probably had the Gotham Bureau in mind when he remarked, "By serving the public as a clearinghouse of factual information about business practices affecting the consumer, the Better Business Bureaus throughout the country effectively express the business community's sense of responsibility for high ethical standards and integrity in trade consumer relations."

Quality is a comparative thing based on the principle that a buyer should receive what he pays for, no more, no less, and for the long pull a business can not succeed if it deviates from that precept.

The temptation to cut corners is strong, particularly when competitive pressure is high, and this departure has spawned the consumerism movement.

Tag Match



GLANCING BACKWARDS

HANNAH'S FAMILY  
PRESENTATION HERE

—1 Year Ago—  
Michigan State University president John A. Hannah will be accompanied here by his wife and other family members Friday evening when he receives the Distinguished Agricultural Service award of the Michigan Frozen Food Packers association.

The event will be one of the final public appearances in the state for the longtime MSU leader before he moves to Washington about April 1 to assume the position of administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

SOAPY PLAYING  
NO FAVORITES

—10 Years Ago—  
Gov. G. Mennen Williams says he has "absolutely no commitment to or with any candidate" for the Democratic nomination for president.

But the Michigan governor told a news conference Friday if he is offered a cabinet post in a Democratic administration he

WILLIAM RITT

You're  
Telling Me!

The 17-year-locust is due to return to many U.S. states this summer. Long time no see — but in this case absence didn't make our heart grow fonder — of the pest.

A golf ball travels about 200 feet a second, we read. Ours usually get into sand traps faster than that.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

**THE ANSWER QUICK!**  
1—What is the national airline of Australia?  
2—What is the national airline of Italy?  
3—What is the national airline of Israel?  
4—What is the national airline of Spain?  
5—What is the national airline of Belgium?

**WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE**  
MESMERIZE — (MES-me-RIZE) — verb; to hypnotize.

**IT HAPPENED TODAY**  
On this day in 1892 the Anti-Saloon League was formed.

**IT'S BEEN SAID**  
Take care not to begin anything of which you may repent. —Syrus.

**YOUR FUTURE**  
Your life will proceed happily along the even tenor of its way. Today's child will be somewhat highly strung and sensitive.

**BORN TODAY**  
Robert Frost was born in San Francisco, but he belongs to all America. He is best known for his verse dealing with New England life and character.

He is seen as opposed to the main stream of modern poetry. He sings of rural, democratic joys in a clear, simple, moral tone. He is, above all, a lover of nature.

If Frost is the positive poet of rural America, however, he is also the chronicler of the "dark side" of the human soul, a sophisticated

would accept it.

**MAIN NAZI LINES BROKEN**  
—25 Years Ago—  
American tanks burst into the open plains of middle Germany less than 24 miles from Berlin today through enemy lines which Gen. Eisenhower declared had been broken in a massive defeat.

Swift armor of both the First and Third Armies raced across the Reich unchecked, because, as Eisenhower said, the foe has insufficient strength at hand with which to make a stand.

**FASHION NEWS**  
—35 Years Ago—  
Style whimsies disclose that more colored shoes are being shown than in any recent season. With them are worn the bright scarf, belt and hat or hat trimming of the same color.

**NEW PRESIDENT**  
—15 Years Ago—  
Miss Doris Swem, daughter of

Supervisor Henry Swem of Weesaw township, was elected president of the Y.W.C.A. for Western State Teachers college in Kalamazoo.

**OPENS HOME**  
—55 Years Ago—  
The beautiful residence of Mrs. Henry J. Lewis at 1225 Lake boulevard, which has been closed all winter, will be opened again next week. Mrs. Lewis and her daughter, Mrs. W.F. Morley, who have been spending several months in Winona, Miss., are returning home.

**NEW STEAMER**  
—70 Years Ago—  
Plans have been drawn for a steamer 60 feet long to go on the route between Holland and Saugatuck next season in the passenger and freight business. The steamer, Pilgrim, will probably go to Ontario during the earlier part of this season and will return to help with the peach trade.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,  
The Herald-Press.

YE ED STANDS CORRECTED

Since I assume that you wrote the report on my talk to the Rotary club in Tuesday's edition I wish to thank you for the fine article. However I was misquoted on two points:

1. I did not say that the entire Jordanian border is quiet. On the contrary I told the audience that I visited a Kibbutz, a

collective village in the Jordan valley south of the Lake of Tiberias, which is shelled almost every night from Jordanian hills across the Jordan river. I specifically mentioned that the children of 2½ years and younger never spent a night above ground. They sleep in shelters. What you said in your report refers only to the southern border from the Dead Sea to the Gulf of Aqaba.

2. I said that government officials made no statements to us as to territorial claims of Israel in a peace settlement. But generally, Israelis believe that the Old City of Jerusalem which was annexed by Israel after the war of 1967 and the Golan Heights which were taken from Syria are not negotiable and will be kept by Israel. I did not say that Israelis want to make Jerusalem an international zone. I only said that the Israelis will guarantee that Christians, Moslems and Jews can worship in their holy places all over the country, including Jerusalem.

Sincerely,  
RABBI JOSEPH SCHWARZ,  
Temple Beth-el,  
Benton Harbor.

Editor,  
The Herald-Press.

**LET THE BOYS GO HAIRY**

I have to speak my mind and I hope you'll print what I have to say.

I'm just an average 16-year old girl. I get so mad when I read something where someone is saying that all kids with long hair are no good or they look terrible. Of course, some guys do look bad with long hair, but without long hair they usually look bad anyway.

I think that it is simply no one's business but the guy who is wearing it how long his hair is. Why can't people just leave others alone? Is there no way people can be left alone?

This is supposed to be such a wonderful, free country. But now boys can't even wear their hair the way they want it. Can't anyone do anything about this problem?

It would be a lot easier to change a few rules than to change hundreds of kids' minds. Schools are for the benefit of the people to educate future leaders of the world. So why does it matter so much about what a person looks like.

A Student at  
St. Joseph High

DR. COLEMAN

.. And Speaking  
Of Your Health

We have just been told that our boy has a heart murmur. The doctor says it is very common and will disappear as she grows older. Yet, I have never heard of this before. Could you please urgently tell me about this condition and will she really grow out of it? Mrs. M.P., Illinois

Dear Mrs. P.:  
The urgency of your letter induced me to write to you directly, but I do want my readers, as well as you, to get a much better understanding of this problem.

Many children are born with heart murmurs. Most of them are not serious. Your own doctor assured you that this, the so-called functional murmur, is one that she will outgrow. His assurance, obviously, was not sufficient, so you go to another source for affirmation.

I wish people would learn that doctors really understand their emotional concern, and, when necessary, repeat the hopeful aspects of medical conditions.

The fact that you "never heard of this before" does not mean that the situation is any more serious than if you had. Why would heart murmurs come to the attention of anyone who is not a physician?

That which you need "urgently" and beg with your "please" is additional comfort. Therefore, I add to that which your own doctor has told you, the statement that children with non-serious or functional murmurs of the heart live to a ripe age without any alteration of their normal pattern of living. You must not treat your child as an invalid.

Some of our high schools have trampolines. Can they cause injuries to the back? What has been your experience with this kind of exercise for elementary students?

Mrs. E.D. M., Ohio  
Dear Mr. M.: Trampolines

Mr. E. R., Indiana  
No general examination is ever complete unless a rectal examination is included. This especially holds for adults. Your doctor shows great wisdom, because the early detection of a growth means the greater possibility of recovery. He is not looking for a growth, but if it is there, he wants to know about it.

**SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH:** How often have you thought of buying a fire extinguisher for your kitchen? Is one there?

Dr. Lester Coleman has prepared a special booklet for readers of the column entitled, "Pay Attention to Your Heart." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed 6-cent stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., P.O. Box 5170, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10017. Please mention the booklet by title.

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JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♦ K J 7 4  
♥ A 8 6 5 2  
♠ A K 9

**WEST**  
♠ Q J 10 9 6 2  
♥ 3 2  
♦ Q  
♣ J 8 5

**EAST**  
♠ 8 4 3  
♥ 8 5  
♦ K J 9  
♣ 10 7 6 4 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K 5  
♥ A Q 10 9 6  
♦ 10 7 4 3  
♣ 2

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1♦ Pass 1♥ 1♠  
3♥ Pass 6♥

Opening lead — queen of spades.

In a great many hands declarer cannot tell how he will eventually fare. This is largely because he does not know how the defenders' cards are divided.

In some hands he must rely entirely on luck. If the cards are well placed, he makes the contract; if they are not, he goes down. These hands are not the kind you worry about, because there is nothing you can do about them.

The hands that should bother you are those where you fail but could have made the contract

even though the distribution was unfavorable. These are the hands to test your skill and the ones most interesting to play.

Take this deal where everything depends upon losing only one diamond trick.

Obviously, if the diamonds are divided 2-2, even your great grandmother could make the slam by simply leading the ace and another diamond.

But since this method of play would fail with a 3-1 diamond division, which occurs 50 per cent of the time, the question that arises is whether anything can be done to protect against such a division.

The answer is that declarer can indeed protect against most 3-1 divisions.

This is what he does. He wins the spade lead with the ace, draws two rounds of trumps, discards a diamond on the king of spades, ruffs a spade, cashes the A-K of clubs on which he discards a diamond, and ruffs a club.

He now leads a low diamond and ducks in dummy. In the actual case, West wins with the queen (East cannot afford to overtake) and must give South a ruff and discard.

Note that the elimination play is equally effective if West's singleton is the king of jack, and also succeeds if East has the singleton king, queen or jack.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

Additions to the current fad of ethnic satire: Two astronauts (from whatever country you wish to lampoon) landed on the moon. One remained inside the capsule while the other traipsed about on the moon's surface for an hour. When the wanderer knocked for readmittance to the capsule, the one inside queried, "Who's there?" ... Meanwhile, a dog (from the same country) got exhausted chasing parked cars ... and a prisoner took advantage of the recreation period in the yard to whisper to a fellow inmate, "Pssst! Big prison break yesterday. PASS IT ALONG!"

They're still telling about the film star who came to New York with \$10,000 in cash he had picked up en route at the gaming tables of Las Vegas.

Problem: he buys a small piece of a friend's new musical, or get the little woman the wild mixt coat for which she had been yearning? He compromised by buying into the show, but promising his wife TWO row seats if it was a hit.

After the first out-of-town

tryout, the star sent his wife this wire: "I've got bad news for you. Your coats closed in New Haven last night."

The enterprising directors of Finland's airline have opened a luxurious ticket and information office in mid-Manhattan. So now, points out a Mr. H. Telson, you can stroll innocently down Fifth Avenue, and disappear into Finland.



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Twin City  
News

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1970

## 'GET HOT OVER POLLUTION,' PUBLIC IS TOLD



**MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH:** Benton Harbor Fire Capt. Bob Jones dons smoke mask in demonstration for children in Head Start program which meets at First Congregational church. Jones also warned against playing with matches, a leading cause of fires and deaths among small children as evidenced by fire earlier this

month which took the lives of four. Expressions on faces of youngsters indicate the demonstration and advice were well received. Conducting the class are Head Start Teacher Audrey Reed and teacher aide Minnie Reynolds. (Staff photo)

### Legislator Says Mess Can Worsen

Population And Science Destroy U.S. Environment

"The only way to beat pollution problems is to have a growing concern to protect our environment."

This was the main idea expressed last night by Thomas J. Anderson, Democratic state representative from Southgate, in a speech to a Michigan State university seminar class at Lake Michigan Catholic High School.

"Environment is coming into its own," Thomas explained that the world environment was nearly talked about 10 years ago, but that today it is becoming a catchword. People are starting to join the bandwagon in this fight against pollution. Thomas implied that he hoped these people would not only talk about pollution but also begin to do something about it.

"The two main causes of pollution are population and technology," Anderson said.

The U.S. population of just over 200 million finds many communities bursting at the seams. The median age is now 27; if all these people marry, have two children a couple, there will be at least 360 million by the year 2000.

Anderson said to meet this increase, a city the size of Grand Rapids would have to be invented every three weeks.

The increase in population is directly proportional to the throw-away problem. There is 15 times as much refuse per capita as 25 years ago and five times as much as 10 years ago. Trash will keep increasing with the population.

Thomas added that the problem of pollution is not only a deadly one but also extremely expensive. Over \$1 million is spent picking up trash on highways each year in Michigan.

In a test performed near Grand Rapids, a truck load of trash was sorted to find what was thrown out most. The test showed that 82 percent of trash was plastic and paper products, and that there were two more deposit bottles found than throw-away bottles. According to Thomas this shows a strong indication of the effect technology has had upon pollution.

More than 90 percent of all the scientists the world has ever produced are alive today. They are constantly working on technologies to produce more disposable materials.

In conclusion, Thomas stated that the pollution problem can be solved if the people take the interest needed to solve it. If we face the problem and realize how serious it is, we will solve the problem. It is up to the people to demand pollution control by sincere letters to their congressmen, stated Thomas.

Anderson is doing something about pollution. He is the sponsor of legislation known as the environmental protection act. Persons who attended the



THOMAS J. ANDERSON

### Donors Of Clothing Get Thanks

The head of the organization seeking contributions for survivors of a recent Benton Harbor fire that killed four children today expressed her thanks to contributors.

"We had a wonderful and heartwarming response from area citizens who contributed clothes for the 11 surviving children of the fire," said Mrs. John Daniels, president of the Dorcas society of the Main Street Seventh-day Adventist church of Benton Harbor.

Contributions were so great that the society was able to turn over some clothing to its welfare center at 1021 Hall street. They will be distributed to other needy families, according to Mrs. Daniels.

She said that although most of the clothes were contributed by the people of Benton Harbor, the society also received clothing from as far away as Berrien Springs.

### Attendant Robbed At Gunpoint

BH Police Looking For Three Youths

An attendant at the Clark gas station, 710 West Main street, Benton Harbor, was robbed at gunpoint and shoved into a back room by three Negro youths last night, Benton Harbor police reported.

The attendant, Lewis Hurst, 19, of Route 1, Coloma, estimated the loss at \$250 to \$300, plus \$11 from his own wallet. The robbery occurred shortly after 8 p.m.

Hurst told Officer Robert Polmanter the three entered the station last night and asked to use the restroom. Instead, they turned on Hurst and asked for the money.

**IN LATE TEENS**

Hurst said the men appeared to be in their late teens. One wore a brown jacket with a hood and a torn pocket. Another wore a blue baracuda jacket and dress hat. The third, with a mustache, wore a green coat.

Another man said he was robbed at knifepoint last night when he accompanied a man and woman from the Ponderosa tavern to an alley between Terriorial road and Miller street.

Donald West, 35, of 1046 Milton street, Benton Harbor, who is white, said a couple asked him to accompany them to a party. He was robbed of \$40, he said.

**NORWEGIAN VISITORS**

GLENN—Mr. and Mrs. Reid Hanson of Narkahyda Kirke, Norway, were guests of their cousins recently. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hamlin of Glenn, also visiting were Mrs. Hamlin's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. Skrudland of Chicago, Illinois.

### Tri-CAP, League Not Affiliated

Member Clarifies Services Of Group

Volunteer Service League, Inc., serving emergency financial needs of Twin Cities area residents, is not affiliated with Tri-CAP, according to the Rev. Wendell Stine, a League member.

Based on inaccurate information received, this newspaper in its March 18 editions reported that the League was an affiliate of Tri-CAP, the anti-poverty organization functioning in Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties.

The Rev. Mr. Stine also said that the League does not counsel in legal matters of needy persons, as reported. He said the League might refer such persons to legal aid, but does not provide the counseling service.

Named to the League board of trustees this month were Joe Cooper and Rosalyn Hill, both students of Andrews university, Berrien Springs.

The Rev. Mr. Stine said the League director is Mrs. Robert (Betty) Runney.

### Fire Strikes

Fire in a basement at 1101 Hurd street, Benton Harbor, caused extensive damage to the basement ceiling shortly after 2 a.m. today, Benton Harbor firemen reported. The home is the residence of Henry Martin.

Firemen said Mrs. Martin had to go next door to telephone because the fire had burned the telephone wiring. The fire was believed to have been started by faulty electrical wiring, firemen said.

### D.H. Ross, Mrs. Ankli Married In Naples, Fla.

Donald H. Ross, Benton Harbor industrialist and sportsman, and Mrs. Margaret (Margie) Ankli, of 2214 Mt. Curve St. Joseph, were married today in her winter home at Naples, Fla.

Close friends of the couple vacationing in the south attended the simple rites.

The couple expects to make their permanent residence here in Mr. Ross' home on Roslyn

### Lakeshore, City Buses Involved In Accidents

Two buses — a Lakeshore high school bus and a Twin Cities motor transit bus — were involved in separate accidents yesterday, causing injuries to four persons, Berrien sheriff's deputies reported.

Two men in a semi-truck received minor injuries when their truck collided with the Lakeshore bus on its way to the Lakeshore high school to pick up students, deputies said.

The two were treated and

released from Benton Harbor Mercy hospital. They were driver Fred Fillmore, Jr., 41, of 3397 Bacon School road, Royalton township, and Ken Schultz, 33, of 2159 Jeffrey road, Stevensville.

Sheriff's Deputy Thomas Exum said the accident occurred when the bus driver attempted to pass the truck as it was making a left turn into the Lincolnwood Estates trailer court on John Beers road,

Lincoln township.

**BUS DRIVER CITED**

The driver of the bus, George F. Mahler, 43, of Route 1, Berrien Springs, was issued a summons for failing to have his vehicle under control. His wife, who was the only passenger in the bus, received bruises, but was not treated.

David Lee Baldwin, 7, of 1290 Southport avenue, Benton Harbor, was tossed from Twin Cities Transit bus when it rolled over on River road, South township yesterday, Deputy Edward K. Behnke reported.

Behnke said the boy was returning home from a day care center in Scottsdale when the bus rolled over. The boy and the bus driver, Willis R. Barker, 52, of Box 201, Benton Harbor, were treated and released from Mercy hospital.

Barker told deputies he swerved to the right to avoid hitting a pickup on the side of the road. He was issued a summons for failing to have his vehicle under control.

### Klan Loses Post Office Box In BH

Illegal Distribution Given As Reason

Benton Harbor acting Postmaster George Westfield said yesterday he had revoked a lock box issued to the United Klans of America, P.O. Box 825, Benton Harbor, Mich. 49022.

Westfield said he acted under a section of the postal regulations which permit closing of a box when the postmaster has reason to believe it is being used for improper purposes.

Ku Klux Klan literature was placed on cars in some Benton Harbor parking lots last Saturday. The distribution of advertising material and flyers in city lots is a violation of a city ordinance.

Westfield said postal regulations prevent disclosure of the person in whose name the box was rented. He has referred the matter to the postal inspection department.

One of the flyers attached to a car contained an inane suggestion for busing Negro students from Michigan to Montana.

### Writer For Mexican Newspaper Identified

The unknown writer who promoted Benton Harbor in a Mexican newspaper published in February is Mrs. Pauline R. Kibbe, the mother of Mrs. Morris (Patricia) Hohnstein of 1385 Pontiac road, Fairplain.

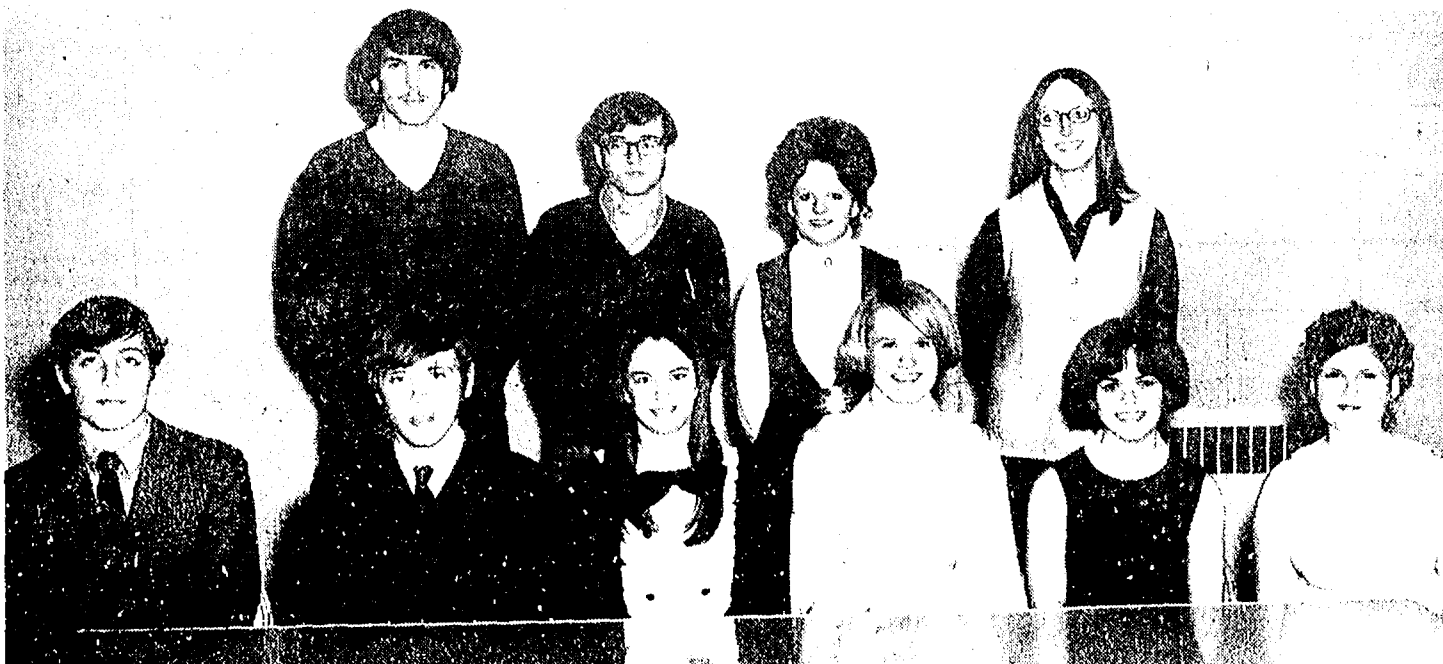
A story on Benton Harbor and the mystery writer appeared in Saturday's edition of this newspaper after a rural Benton Harbor man brought attention to the Mexican story and newspaper.

Mrs. Hohnstein, originally from Texas, said her mother was a free-lance writer and is co-owner of a publishing firm in Mexico City that prints guide-books on Mexico.

"My mother hadn't been any farther north than Texas for almost 20 years so she came to visit us for four days last October. She was amazed that Time magazine called Benton Harbor a gubby little seaport because she thought the area had so

much to offer visitors," said Mrs. Hohnstein.

Mrs. Hohnstein has lived here since 1963 when her husband came to work as an engineer for Clark Equipment Co.



**FORENSIC WINNERS:** Advancing to regional competition at Western Michigan university are these winners of the district forensic contest held Wednesday at Lake Michigan Catholic high school. The contest drew orators from eight high schools. Left to right (front): Michael Wilens; New Buffalo, extemporaneous; Bruce Westrate, Cassopolis, radio new; Mary Mackin, Lake

Michigan Catholic, serious interpretation; Andra Matyka, River Valley, extemporaneous; Cheryl Maranto, River Valley, original oratory; Laura Sands, Buchanan, declamation; standing—Craig Sizer, Cecil Stice, Jr., Janet Jackson and Jane Dunning, all of River Valley, first place in multiple reading. (Photo by Pete Mitchell)

### Tax Exemption Avenues Sliced

Schools, Churches Among Agencies Affected

LANSING (AP) — By late spring, Michigan should begin collecting an estimated \$27.4 million a year in taxes from

such diverse, previously exempt sources as schools, churches, newspapers, and yachts.

The House by generally substantial margins Wednesday adopted compromise recommendations on three bills that eliminate a number of exemptions

from Michigan's diesel fuel tax, sales and use taxes.

The bills, which now go to Gov. William G. Milliken for signing, would take effect May 1. An estimated \$3.4 million would be shared by local communities and \$13.5 million would go to the state school aid fund.

Introduced last fall by Senate Taxation Committee Chairman Harry DeMaso, R-Battle Creek, the measures passed both chambers relatively easily, but with an estimated \$10 million difference in exemption eliminations.

Delayed wrangling between the chambers over whether to continue to exempt bus companies from the diesel tax, for example, cost an estimated \$2.4 million in lost taxes this year, experts say. The bus exemption, itself, amounts to about \$300,000 annually.

The largest new sources of revenue generated by the bills would be construction contracts — \$8 million annually; industrial equipment, printed catalogs and pamphlets containing less than 20 percent news content each would return an estimated \$5 million a year.

**SCHOOLS, CHURCHES**

Schools and churches no longer could exempt taxes on construction projects. Industry would have to pay sales or use tax on heavy equipment and newspapers, radio and television stations would be taxed on property other than ink, newsprint or broadcast tapes.

Stiffer definitions of nonprofit corporations would subject recreational groups such as sailing and flying clubs to the sales and use taxes but continue to exempt boy scouts, veterans hospitals and nonprofit children's homes.

The House also voted Wednesday to join with the Senate in authorizing State Budget Director Glenn S. Allen Jr. to decide how much money Michigan State University should receive this year for development of an osteopathic medical school. The sum could be as much as \$280,000 under a special resolution adopted Wednesday. Milliken vetoed appropriation of the funds last year.



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## DECATUR GROWER'S DEVICE BEST IN STATE

Nixon's Double Going Back  
To Washington As PresidentWill Head  
College In  
MarylandFormer Andrews U.  
Professor Elected

BERRIEN SPRINGS — President Nixon's double is going back to Washington. He doesn't have a political appointment. He has been elected president of a college.

George H. Akers, Ph.D., associate professor of education at Andrews university here until last summer, has been elected president of Columbia Union college at Takoma Park, Md., a suburb of the nation's capital.

The Seventh-day Adventist college board of trustees named Dr. Akers to the presidency. He will take over the office next June. Columbia Union is Dr. Akers' alma mater.

At Andrews university, he taught undergraduate and graduate courses in education from 1964 to 1969. Last summer he transferred to Walla Walla college in Washington state where he now is vice president for academic affairs.

Dr. Akers was dean of students at Loma Linda university, another Adventist school in Loma Linda, Calif., in 1960 when then-vice president Nixon was campaigning for the presidency against John F. Kennedy. Nixon, a native of Whittier, Calif., came to Loma Linda for a speech and the students called Dr. Akers to the platform to shake hands with the vice president.

## LIKE A MIRROR

For Nixon it was something like looking in a mirror. In 1968 when Nixon again hit the political trails which led him to the White House, Dr. Akers had some more fun. Some airline stewardesses followed him at Chicago's O'Hare field, calling him Mr. Nixon. He denied he was the Republican presidential candidate but the pretty hostesses continued their byplay, saying they wanted to have some fun.

Restaurant waitresses sometimes did a double take when they served him a meal. And some of the new students on the Andrews campus also gave him a second look.

Dr. Akers was interviewed by this newspaper's staff writer Ralph Lutz a month before the 1968 election.

Akers admitted he was a Nixon supporter and proved also to be a political prophet.

Said Dr. Akers: "Nixon brings new hope to every man who thinks he's washed up. He's matured from defeat. The nation is in a mood for change and Nixon's the man."

SAANATARIAN HONOR

KALAMAZOO (AP) — Robert Dalton, chief of the food service sanitation section of Public Health was named "Sanitarian of the Year" by the Michigan Association of Sanitarians at a meeting at Kalamazoo.

## BURROUGHS GROWING

DETROIT (AP) — The president of Burroughs Corp. told stockholders Wednesday preliminary earnings reports for 1970 so far show the business machine and computer manufacturer's revenues are continuing at record levels.



PRESIDENTIAL IMAGE: George H. Akers, former education professor at Andrews university, Berrien Springs, soon will have valid claim to the title of president. Dr. Akers has been named president of Columbia Union college, a Seventh-day Adventist-supported institution at Takoma Park, Maryland, a suburb of Washington. (Staff photo)

She Gets  
Top Editor  
Post AgainPick South Haven  
Graduate At WMU

KALAMAZOO — Francine A. Ziedman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ziedman, South Haven, has again been named to serve as editor of Western Michigan university's student newspaper, the "Western Herald."

Miss Ziedman was editor during the spring and summer sessions last year and is currently associate editor for the paper. She is a senior at Eastern majoring in English and speech and will again start directing the university's publication on April 27.

She graduated from South Haven high school in 1966 and entered Lake Michigan college in the fall of '66. In 1968 she transferred to Western Michigan university where she served as a reporter and editor of the visual arts supplement to the Western Herald, the once-a-week Encore.

Upon graduation in June, Miss Ziedman plans to attend law school.

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LT. JOHN P. KING

Niles Man  
Is Honored  
In Vietnam

NILES — Army First Lt. John P. King, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis King, 509 North street, Niles, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal.

Lt. King was presented the award for meritorious service in connection with military operations against hostile forces in Vietnam while assigned as assistant executive officer of Battery C, 3rd battalion, 6th field artillery near Pleiku, Vietnam.

King graduated from Niles high school in 1962 and received a bachelor of science degree in 1967 from Murray State university, Ky.

The award was presented Jan. 10.

Schweigert  
May Seek  
New JobExpected To Give  
Decision Shortly

LANSING (AP) — Michigan's new acting Lt. Gov. Thomas Schweigert, a Republican State Senator from Petoskey, acknowledged Wednesday that he may be interested in a new job.

Schweigert, who is expected to announce shortly that he will not run again for the Senate seat he has held 10 years, said he still is "definitely" considering seeking the lieutenant governor's job when Gov. William Milliken runs for another term.

Milliken Wednesday refused to confirm he would run again, saying he had not made a firm decision. But the governor told a news conference he expected to reveal his choice for lieutenant governor "in the fairly near future."

House Minority Floor Leader William Hampton, R-Bloomfield Hills, wants the job and already has announced he will not seek re-election to the House.

Schweigert, meanwhile, also cited the possibility of a post in Washington.

## STUDENTS PROTEST

GRAND RAPIDS (AP) — About 50 pupils at Riverside Junior High School stayed out of class and milled about the school's halls briefly Wednesday to protest the suspension of a ninth grader accused of using profanity.

Speeds Up  
Asparagus  
ProductionCosts Only \$25,  
But Outperforms  
\$10,000 Machine

A deceptively simple device that could revolutionize the asparagus production industry in Michigan has won the Agricultural Development of the Year award from the Michigan Week committee for James Thar, Decatur fruit and vegetable grower.

Thar, 60, was presented the award Wednesday night at the annual agricultural engineering banquet held on Michigan State university campus in conjunction with Farmers Week.

He was honored for his development of the sledbox harvester, a device that can be built on the farm for \$25 dollars and which harvests asparagus six to 10 times cheaper than scarce hand labor. It outperformed some sophisticated mechanical harvesters costing as much as \$10,000 in side by side tests in a few fields last spring.

## STARTED IN '67

Thar, who began working on early models of his invention in 1967, harvested 65 acres with the sledbox last season with the help only of his son, Bill.

Several other large asparagus growers copied Thar's sled when they found it difficult to get workers during the main harvest period in May and early June last year.

One area processor has suggested that as much as 25 to 30 per cent of the asparagus acreage in this area may be harvested by sledboxes this year.

The heart of Thar's creation is a V-shaped cutting blade set in the front of a box on runners. Thar used old saw blades to make cutting bars.

## FAIRLY HIGH SPEED

Towed behind a tractor at fairly high speed, the V-blade shears off all asparagus spears that protrude above a predetermined level of an inch or two above ground surface. As they are cut off, the spears flip back into the box part of the sled.

If sleds are connected into gangs of three, side by side, one man driving the tractor can harvest 10 to 20 acres an hour. Another worker is required to transfer the harvested spears into containers and load them onto a truck.

Because the sledbox cuts all spears extending above the level of the V-blade, many spears are harvested before achieving full length and others are damaged.

## CAN AFFORD LOSSES

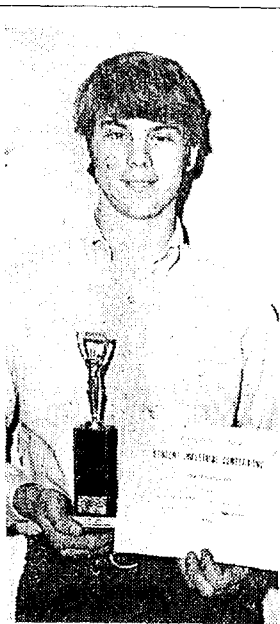
Thar and other growers who used the sleds last season said their losses amounted to about 30-35 per cent of the total they would have picked by hand harvesting. But because of the difficulty of hiring workers and because of their higher cost, they said they can afford to lose at least that much of their production without losing money.

Thar said the sled will harvest the crop for one cent a pound, compared to six to 10-cent-per-pound costs for hand harvesting.

The Decatur grower's inven-



DECEPTIVELY SIMPLE: James Thar (left) of Decatur and his son, Bill, harvested 65 acres of asparagus last season with sledbox harvester that has won Thar the Agricultural Development of the Year award from Michigan Week committee. So simple it can be built for \$25 worth of materials, it harvests crop for one cent a pound compared to 6-10 cents for hand harvesting. (Staff photo)



FIRST PLACE: George F. Hauch, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hauch of Coloma, will represent Coloma high school in state Student Industrial Competition on April 4. He won first place in the materials-woods category at regional competition held recently at Western Michigan university. (Marion Leedy photo)

tion, entered in the Michigan Week contest by friends, first won the Van Buren contest at the Agricultural Development of the Year and then received district honors before getting the top state award.

Large Families  
Morally Wrong?McMullan's Statement  
Said Irresponsible

LANSING (AP) — A state legislator with 12 children has called on Ralph A. McMullan, Natural Resources Department director, to resign for suggesting it is "morally wrong" for a woman to have more than two children.

Rep. John P. Smeeckens, R-Sherwood, Wednesday accused McMullan of "irresponsible statements" in a booklet titled "The 1970's — Decade of Decision," which the department published.

OacMullan wrote:

"How do we go about stabilizing our population? I don't know... Many measures have been suggested — mass sterilization, abortion, birth control chemicals in the water supply — you name it. I suspect, however, that the key to success lies in convincing people that it is morally wrong for any woman to bear more than two children."

Smeeckens, who said he discussed the matter with Gov. William Milliken, called McMullan's remarks "the most incompetent I have ever heard."

"My wife and I have been blessed with 12 wonderful children," said Smeeckens, a Catholic. "Now under the terms of Dr. McMullan's remarks, what does that make my wife and me? I find his thinking immoral," Smeeckens said.

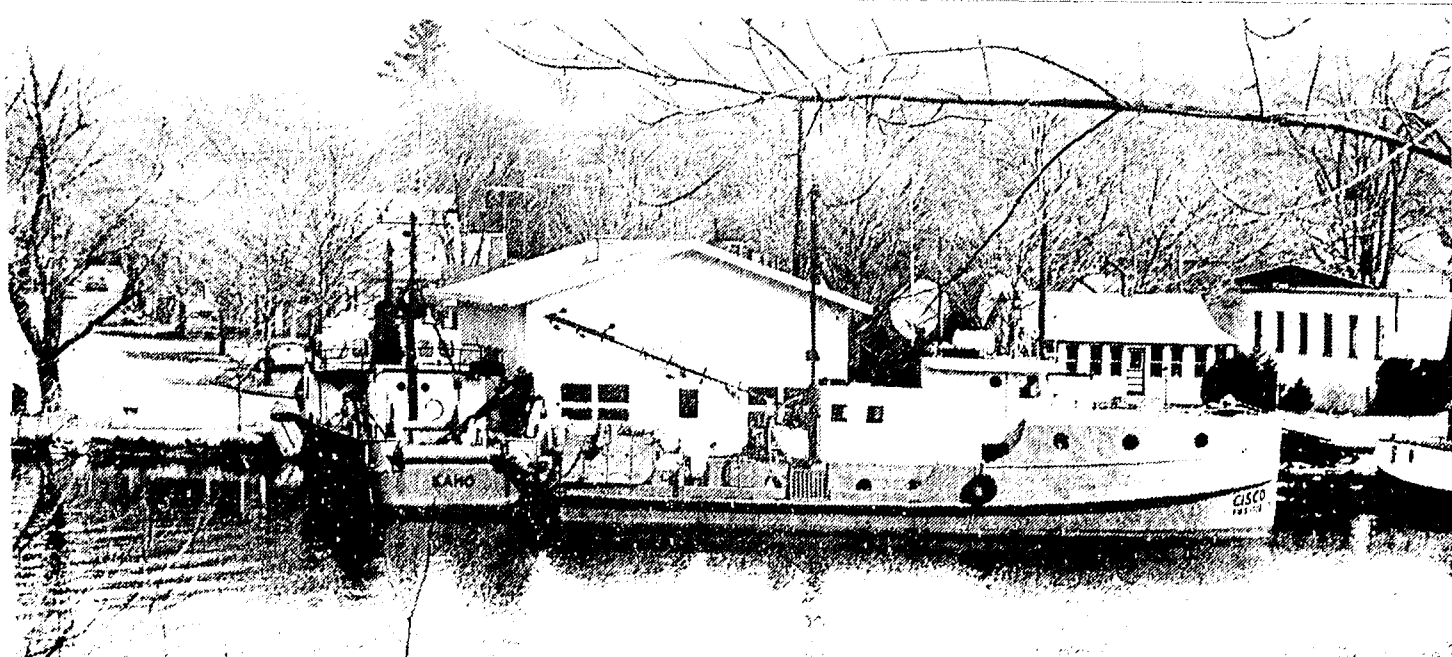
McMullan was unavailable for comment.

Reps. Robert Mahoney, father of 10, and Mrs. Rosetta Ferguson, mother of four, joined Smeeckens in blasting McMullan for "poor judgment" in distributing and printing the pamphlet "at taxpayer's expense."

But Rep. Richard J. Allen, R-Ithaca, who recently introduced an abortion reform bill based on standards Milliken has endorsed, took issue with Smeeckens on population control and defended McMullan's thesis.

## GRANTS AWARDED

LANSING (AP) — Gov. William Milliken has announced awarding of two community development training grants, totaling more than \$34,000 in Wayne County.



GOING INTO MOTHBALLS: The Bureau of Commercial Fisheries' research vessels, the Cisco, at right, and the Kaho, sit docked at substation in harbor of Kalamazoo river at Sauga-

tuck. One of the two vessels, probably the Kaho, may be put into mothballs following cut in 1971 federal budget. (Prosch-Jensen photo)

Fisheries Budget Cut  
Hits Area Substation

## Saugatuck Men Losing Jobs

By JOAN PROSCH-JENSEN

Fennville Correspondent

SAUGATUCK — A \$440,000 cut in the 1971 federal budget will affect the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries substation in this Allegan county village.

The cutback in the Department of Interior funds will include 26 employees of the region covered by the federal biological research laboratory at Ann Arbor.

Five of the six men presently stationed at the substation here will be affected. This was confirmed by the Washington office of U.S. Congressman

Marvin L. Esch (R-Ann Arbor). The spokesman said plans include mothballing one of the two research vessels, probably the Kaho.

The two 60-foot diesel-powered ships, the Kaho and the Cisco, have been stationed here for approximately four years. They are engaged in research of the alewife "trash" fish and improved commercial fishing as well as environmental studies.

The alewife research would be transferred to the Ann Arbor laboratory, which Congressman Esch has been assured will not be closed, according to Ronald Park, Esch's congressional as-

stant. Park added the legislator feels this work should continue and does not want a reduction in money, personnel or responsibility. Esch believes the Ann Arbor laboratory and other units of the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries in the Great Lakes region have done superlative job in pointing out dangers to the Lake Michigan environment and working on means of correction.

Park reported that Esch believes this to be a winning team which should not be broken up and that the main issue is the future of the entire Great Lakes area.